

COVID-19

Thursday, March 19, 2020

GOV. INSLEE ANNOUNCES RELIEF FOR BUSINESSES, RENTERS, AND RESIDENTS

Gov. Jay Inslee signed executive orders yesterday to help businesses, renters, and residents who may struggle financially during the COVID-19 outbreak. Detailed information at right.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ENCOURAGES ONLINE APPLICATION FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Employment Security is encouraging anyone seeking information or applying for unemployment benefits to visit their webpage due to an unprecedented number of calls.

LOCAL BUSINESS FAQ RESOURCE

We have developed a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) sheet for you to share with your local businesses. Detailed information on content and where you can download the document is to the right.

CRITICAL NEED FOR BLOOD DONATIONS

Blood supply is at critical levels. See more information on how you can help is to the right.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY DAILY BRIEFING

Gov. Inslee Announces Relief Measures for Businesses, Renters, and Residents

Yesterday, Gov. Jay Inslee announced substantial measures for Washington state businesses and workers, as well as renters and other residents who may struggle financially to pay utility bills while dealing with loss of income during the COVID-19 outbreak. This is in addition to the state support for workers and businesses, and the state financial, export, insurance and unemployment assistance that has already been made available. The new measures include:

- 30-day statewide moratorium on evictions for failure to pay rent.
- Calling on all public utilities to suspend shut-offs, waive late fees for out-of-work customers, and expand bill assistance for economically impacted customers.
- Waiving the one week waiting period to receive unemployment insurance benefits.
- Expanding eligibility for the Family Emergency Assistance program to families without children.

Full details are available here.

Employment Security Encourages Online Application for Unemployment Benefits

Washington State Employment Security is receiving a record number of calls and web traffic due to COVID-19 impacts. When the phone and on-hold lines are full, customers may be asked to call back later. The fastest option is to use ESD's secure online claims site, secure.esd.wa.gov/home, to apply for benefits.

Local Business Frequently Asked Questions Resource

The Joint Information Center has prepared a <u>Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions for you to share with local businesses</u>. It answers questions and provides links to detailed information on social distancing, screening employees, financial assistance for business owners and employees, and more.

Make Your Appointment to Donate Blood Today

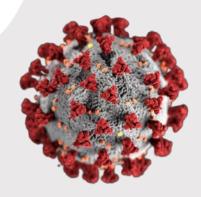
Blood supply levels are at critical levels in the state and Bloodworks Northwest has made a plea for blood donations. Donating blood is a safe action and is one of the best ways you and your constituents can directly help.

In order to meet social distancing recommendations and ensure the best and safest experience possible, Bloodworks Northwest is asking donors to schedule your appointment ahead of time. **Donations will be by appointment only.** The need is ongoing, so it is even more important for donors to make appointments in the coming weeks and months to ensure a safe and reliable blood supply throughout this time.

Appointments and locations at <u>schedule.bloodworksnw.org</u>, 1-800-398-7888, text **bloodapp** to **91985**, or email <u>schedule@bloodworksnw.org</u>







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COVID-19 INITIAL RESPONSE TIMELINE

A timeline for Snohomish County's response to COVID-19 is now available on the Snohomish Health District's website.

CONFIRMED AND PROBABLE CASES OF COVID-19 IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Please note: The statistics are also available on the <u>Snohomish Health</u> <u>District website</u>.

CHANGES TO COVID-19 RESOURCES

Snohomish Health District (SHD) has suspended its local call center. The state has created a new website for all COVID-19 related information.

ESSENTIAL LINKS AND PHONE NUMBERS FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

- Snohomish Health District
- Snohomish County
- Washington State
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Snohomish County COVID-19 Phone Line: 425-388-3944
- Washington State COVID-19 Hotline: 1-800-525-0127, then press #

Snohomish Health District Develops Timeline for the Initial Response to COVID-19 in Snohomish County

Snohomish Health District has published a timeline for Snohomish County's initial response to COVID-19. The timeline covers the time period from January 15-21. Click here to see the timeline.

Changes to COVID-19 Resources

Snohomish Health District (SHD) has suspended its local call center. The statewide call line remains active. See the links and phone numbers to the left to provide to constituents.

The state created <u>coronavirus.wa.gov</u> for all COVID-19 related information including resources available to families, workers and businesses, health recommendations, statistics, emergency actions, and more. The link is now included in the essential links and phone numbers to the left.

Confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 in Snohomish County (as of March 19, 2020)

Case Count	Last Updated: 2:00 p.m.
Confirmed	348
Probable	14
Deceased	7

Jurisdiction	Last Updated: 2:00 p.m.
Arlington	14
Bothell	39
Brier	<5
Darrington	<5
Edmonds	25
Everett	91
Gold Bar	<5
Granite Falls	<5
Index	0
Lake Stevens	13
Lynnwood	48
Marysville	24
Mill Creek	10
Monroe	<5
Mountlake Terrace	10
Mukilteo	8
Snohomish	16
Stanwood	21
Sultan	0
Tulalip	<5
Unknown	25
Woodinville	<5
Woodway	<5

Numbers less than 5 are suppressed to protect medical privacy. Not all cases are within city limits and totals may include nearby unincorporated Snohomish County.



